

SERIAL NO. 09/903,630**DOCKET NO. 1293.1225****REMARKS****INTRODUCTION**

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 1-44 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, and claims 45-64 have been added. Claims 45-64 are deemed patentable for at least reasons similar to why the subject matter of claims 1-44 is patentable.

No new matter is being presented, and approval and entry are respectfully requested.

Claims 45-64 are pending and under consideration.

CONCLUSION:

In accordance with the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all outstanding objections and rejections have been overcome and/or rendered moot. And further, it is respectfully submitted that all pending claims patentably distinguish over the prior art. Thus, there being no further outstanding objections or rejections, the application is submitted as being in condition for allowance which action is earnestly solicited.

If the Examiner has any remaining issues to be addressed, it is believed that prosecution can be expedited by the Examiner contacting the undersigned attorney for a telephone interview to discuss resolution of such issues.

If there are any additional fees associated with the filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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